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RANISH, Joseph M.

Confirmation No. 1157

Serial No.: 09/595,765

Group Art Unit: 2875

Filed: June 16, 2000

Examiner: Bao Q. Truong

For: LAMPHEAD FOR RAPID THERMAL  
PROCESSING CHAMBERAttorney Docket No.: 003998  
(10732-044-999)**PETITION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.137 (b) TO REVIVE  
AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified patent application lapsed January 31, 2003, for failing to respond to the Office Action dated July 31, 2002.

Applicant hereby petitions to revive the abandoned patent application. The entire delay from the due date for the reply to the Office Action until the filing of this petition was unintentional.

The required reply in this case, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is attached.

The petition fee of \$1300.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(m) may be deducted from Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 9, 2003

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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED Examination (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 20, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), estimated to be \$ 750.00
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17, estimated to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension, the request for which is being made herewith
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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